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Re: Application for Certificate of Designation – Rico Soil Lead Repository

Dear Mr. Gore and Ms. Stoner:

In accordance with C.R.S. 30-20-102 *et seq.*, and Colorado state regulations, 6 C.C.R. 1007-2 Part 1, please accept this application for a Certificate of Designation to construct and operate a soil lead repository in Dolores County. This application packet consists of this correspondence document and the enclosed Engineering Design and Operations Report. An application fee and additional documents have not been included at this time based upon our discussions with Dave Allen. To expedite the review and approval process, we are providing two (2) copies of the application packet to Dolores County, and five (5) copies to CDPHE. In addition, this application packet, except the appendices to the Engineering Design and Operations Report, will be posted online at <http://www.sehinc.com/online.htm>.

Rico Properties, LLC, as a representative of Rico Renaissance, LLC, submits this application for the following proposed solid waste disposal facility:

- Site Location:** A 1.5-acre site, located approximately ½ mile north of the Town of Rico and 500 feet east of the Dolores River, in unincorporated Dolores County, T40N, R11W, Section 25, NW, NW.
- Facility Type:** The proposed soil repository will be used for disposal of soil lead removed from properties located in the Town of Rico and the



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Applicant and

Owner/Operator: Rico Properties, LLC, as a representative of Rico Renaissance, LLC
c/o Stan Foster, Manager
17 Glasgow Avenue
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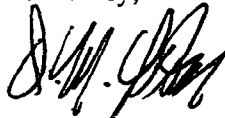
The attached Engineering Design and Operations Report provides a more detailed description of the location, design and operation of the soil repository. Atlantic Richfield Company forwards this application on behalf of Rico Properties, LLC.

Location and operation of the soil repository is one component of the soil removal activities at Rico under the VCUP submitted to CDPHE by Atlantic Richfield Company; Rico Renaissance, LLC; Rico Properties, LLC and the Town of Rico on June 24, 2004. Short Elliot Hendrickson Inc. (SEH Inc.) is the technical consultant for the VCUP project. Atlantic Richfield, as a co-applicant of the VCUP application, is involved with the design and initial construction of the soil repository. Atlantic Richfield therefore fully supports, and is facilitating submittal of this Certificate of Designation application for approval of the repository as an essential element of the soil removal efforts in Rico.

It is our understanding that Dolores County land use regulations generally require that an application to the County for approval of new development follow a pre-application conference between the applicant and Dolores County representatives. VCUP party representatives welcome the opportunity to meet with County representatives in January 2005 to discuss County requirements and approval of the proposed soil repository.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this application packet and its contents. Also, please direct all comments and communications regarding this application, the soil repository, and all related matters to both Atlantic Richfield and Rico Properties, LLC. On behalf of the VCUP parties, we look forward to working with the County and CDPHE to obtain the required approvals for development of the repository in Spring 2005.

Sincerely,



for Chuck Stilwell
Atlantic Richfield Company

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cc: Asteghik Khajetoorians/Atlantic Richfield Company
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